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1. It was observed on 16 March 1951 that a platform without walls but with a roof was erected at Brandenburg-Priest (N 53/Z 13) airfield at the junction point of the forest sub-areas (Jagen) 30 and 31 and the southern section of the runway. A radio mast braced by guy wires, a radio truck, and a truck were parked next to the platform. * At 9:45 a.m., seven jet fighters with swept-back wings were started and emitted dense smoke. They taxied to the platform and took off in separate elements of two at short intervals. During the morning nine other jet fighters took off and made individual flights. After landing at the field, the planes taxied back to the dispersal area.
 2. About 10 to 20 jet fighters were parked at the field on 26 March, whereas 63 MIG-15s were counted on 29 March. ** Of the latter, 43, not covered with tarpaulins, were parked along the runway. The remaining 20 planes were covered with tarpaulins and parked in two groups, one group of 14 and the other of 6 planes, along the taxiways. On 29 March, 11 jet planes were seen flying in formation over the field at 1:30 p.m. and then landing there.
 3. A detail of 12 Soviet soldiers was working on the road leading from the Landesanstalt to the field through Jagen 13 and 22. Half-track vehicle and trailer were observed there. The restricted area was more heavily guarded than before. Patrols with police dogs were seen for the first time. The increased. Ambulance and motor vehicles the latter occupied by 20 men wearing flying suits, were seen on the way between the airfield and the Landesanstalt. 50X1-HUM
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- * Comment. Similar platforms have not been seen at other airfields in the Soviet Zone of Germany. The radio installation is probably the ground radio station of the fighter regiment. 50X1-HUM
- ** Comment. It is believed that another fighter regiment was temporarily stationed at the Brandenburg-Priest airfield on the day of observation. There are no indications that a fighter regiment has been transferred to Brandenburg-Priest. 50X1-HUM

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